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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.2)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

Commissioner
US Department of Commerce
United States Patent and Trademark
Office, PCT
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CP2/5C24
Arlington, VA 22202
ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE
in its capacity as elected Office

Date of mailing (day/month/year)

18 April 2001 (18.04.01)

International application No.

PCT/US00/18588

Applicant's or agent's file reference

KB4400PCT

International filing date (day/month/year)

07 July 2000 (07.07.00)

Priority date (day/month/year)

08 July 1999 (08.07.99)

Applicant

DAKO, Kwame

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:



in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:

22 January 2001 (22.01.01)



in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:

2. The election ☒ was



was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING
OF A CHANGE(PCT Rule 92bis.1 and
Administrative Instructions, Section 422)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

SHAFER, Robert, J.
E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company
Legal Patent Records Center
1007 Market Street
Wilmington, DE 19898
ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 29 novembre 2001 (29.11.01)	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
Applicant's or agent's file reference KB4400PCT	
International application No. PCT/US00/18588	International filing date (day/month/year) 07 juillet 2000 (07.07.00)

1. The following indications appeared on record concerning:

☒ the applicant ☐ the inventor ☐ the agent ☐ the common representative

Name and Address

E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY
1007 Market Street
Wilmington, DE 19898
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State of Residence

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2. The International Bureau hereby notifies the applicant that the following change has been recorded concerning:

☒ the person ☒ the name ☒ the address ☒ the nationality ☒ the residence

Name and Address

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Griffenfeldsgade 29
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State of Nationality

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State of Residence

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3. Further observations, if necessary:
Change of applicant.

4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:

☒ the receiving Office ☒ the designated Offices concerned
☐ the International Searching Authority ☒ the elected Offices concerned
☒ the International Preliminary Examining Authority ☐ other:

The International Bureau of WIPO
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To:

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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 29 November 2001 (29.11.01)	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
Applicant's or agent's file reference KB4400PCT	
International application No. PCT/US00/18588	International filing date (day/month/year) 07 July 2000 (07.07.00)

1. The following indications appeared on record concerning:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the applicant	<input type="checkbox"/> the inventor	<input type="checkbox"/> the agent
<input type="checkbox"/> the common representative		
Name and Address E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY 1007 Market Street Wilmington, DE 19898 United States of America	State of Nationality US	State of Residence US
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3. Further observations, if necessary: Change of applicant.		
4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:		
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<input type="checkbox"/> the International Searching Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the elected Offices concerned	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the International Preliminary Examining Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35	Authorized officer Homero HERNANDEZ Telephone No.: (41-22) 338.83.38
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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Rule 71.1)

Date of mailing
(day/month/year)

28.06.2001

Applicant's or agent's file reference
KB4400PCT

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

International application No.
PCT/US00/18588

International filing date (day/month/year)
07/07/2000

Priority date (day/month/year)
08/07/1999

Applicant

E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY et al.

1. The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority transmits herewith the international preliminary examination report and its annexes, if any, established on the international application.
2. A copy of the report and its annexes, if any, is being transmitted to the International Bureau for communication to all the elected Offices.
3. Where required by any of the elected Offices, the International Bureau will prepare an English translation of the report (but not of any annexes) and will transmit such translation to those Offices.

4. REMINDER

The applicant must enter the national phase before each elected Office by performing certain acts (filing translations and paying national fees) within 30 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices) (Article 39(1)) (see also the reminder sent by the International Bureau with Form PCT/IB/301).

Where a translation of the international application must be furnished to an elected Office, that translation must contain a translation of any annexes to the international preliminary examination report. It is the applicant's responsibility to prepare and furnish such translation directly to each elected Office concerned.

For further details on the applicable time limits and requirements of the elected Offices, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference KB4400PCT	FOR FURTHER ACTION See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)	
International application No. PCT/US00/18588	International filing date (day/month/year) 07/07/2000	Priority date (day/month/year) 08/07/1999
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC F41H1/02		
Applicant E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY et al.		
<p>1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.</p> <p>2. This REPORT consists of a total of 5 sheets, including this cover sheet.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).</p> <p>These annexes consist of a total of 3 sheets.</p>		
<p>3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basis of the report II <input type="checkbox"/> Priority III <input type="checkbox"/> Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability IV <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of unity of invention V <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement VI <input type="checkbox"/> Certain documents cited VII <input type="checkbox"/> Certain defects in the international application VIII <input type="checkbox"/> Certain observations on the international application 		
Date of submission of the demand 22/01/2001	Date of completion of this report 28.06.2001	
Name and mailing address of the international preliminary examining authority:  European Patent Office D-80298 Munich Tel. +49 89 2399 - 0 Tx: 523656 epmu d Fax: +49 89 2399 - 4465	Authorized officer Spinelli, V Telephone No. +49 89 2399 2124	



**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT**

International application No. PCT/US00/18588

I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the elements of the international application (*Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17)*):

Description, pages:

1,3-18 as originally filed

2,2a as received on 11/06/2001 with letter of 08/06/2001

Claims, No.:

5-14 as originally filed

1-4 as amended under Article 19

Drawings, sheets:

1/8-8/8 filed with the demand

2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:

- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
- ☐ the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).

3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
- ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
- ☐ The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
- ☐ The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT**

International application No. PCT/US00/18588

4. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages:
- ☐ the claims, Nos.:
- ☐ the drawings, sheets:

5. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)):

(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

6. Additional observations, if necessary:

V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	4-8, 12-14
	No:	Claims	1-3,9
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	4-8, 12-14
	No:	Claims	10,11
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-14
	No:	Claims	

**2. Citations and explanations
see separate sheet**

Part V.

1. Reference is made to the following documents:
D1=US-A-5 060 314 (LEWIS MICHAEL L) 29 October 1991 (1991-10-29)
D2=US-A-5 903 920 (GRANQVIST KAJ) 18 May 1999 (1999-05-18)
2. Document D1 is concerned with (see figures and col.2, line 65-col.4, line 11, col.5, line 63-col.6, line 6) a protective waistcoat 10 comprising a front section 14, 16 and a back section 12 and connecting means 24 for connecting the two sections, wherein the front section comprises at least one upper plate-formed armour cover part S for substantially covering the chest section of a person wearing the waistcoat, at least one lower-plate formed armour cover part 36, 62 for substantially covering the abdominal region of the person (refer to fig.4), and that at least some of said armour cover parts S, 36, 62 are arranged in partly overlapping relationship (passages at col.3, lines 37-40 and line 63-col.4, line 11) to each other so as to allow said parts to slide over each other (claim 1).
3. The further ancillary features of claims 2 and 3 are also part of the state of the art as depicted by document D1 by simply observing that sign 14 denotes a left combined front side panel and reference 16 indicates a right combined front and side panel, both pertaining to the waistcoat 10; these panels 14 and 16 are identical function performing items than cover parts 16a, 16b and 18, as referenced in your application.
4. Furtheron each armor cover part S, 36, 62 of the waistcoat 10 according to document D1, comprises a fabric lining F forming an enclosure, and a first protecting ballistic resistant material held in said enclosure (claim 9).
5. Lack of novelty is then observed in the content of claims 1-3 and 9: claims 1-3 and 9 do not satisfy Art.33(2) PCT conditions.
6. The additional peculiarities of claims 10 and 11 are already mentioned in document D2 (see col. 2, line 8-col. 3, line 16; fig.3; ref. signs 3a-3z; 31a-31z) as depicting a garment for personal protection and aiming to the same scope of your application: to provide a more easy wear of the waist coat itself.

**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT - SEPARATE SHEET**

International application No. PCT/US00/18588

No inventive activity is therefore noted in the obvious combination of document D1 and D2 teachings: claims 10 and 11 are not in line with Art.33(3) PCT criteria.

7. The combination of features of dependent claims 4 to 8 and 12 to 14 is neither known, nor rendered obvious by the available prior art. Their inclusion in the matter claimed by principal clause 1, under the provisions of Rule 6.3(b) PCT, do contribute to a more effective wearing comfort of the claimed waistcoat by denoting an inventive step over the acknowledged document D1 state of the art: claims 4-8 and 12-14 accord with the provisions of Art.33(1-4) PCT.


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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Applicant's or agent's file reference KB4400PCT		FOR FURTHER ACTION	See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)
International application No. PCT/US00/18588	International filing date (day/month/year) 07/07/2000	Priority date (day/month/year) 08/07/1999	
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC F41H1/02			
Applicant E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY et al.			
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**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT**

International application No. PCT/US00/18588

I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **elements** of the international application (*Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17))*):

Description, pages:

1,3-18	as originally filed		
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Claims, No.:

5-14	as originally filed
1-4	as amended under Article 19

Drawings, sheets:

1/8-8/8	filed with the demand
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2. With regard to the **language**, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:

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3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

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**2. Citations and explanations
see separate sheet**

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International application No. PCT/US00/18588

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**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT - SEPARATE SHEET**

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference KB4400PCT	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. PCT/US 00/ 18588	International filing date (day/month/year) 07/07/2000	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 08/07/1999
Applicant E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY et al.		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

☐ contained in the international application in written form.

☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.

☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.

☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.

☐ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

☐ the statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of Invention is lacking** (see Box II).

4. With regard to the title,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the abstract,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

☒ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

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☐ None of the figures.

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THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT
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M. WALKER (PCT Rule 44.1)

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26/10/2000

Applicant's or agent's file reference

KB4400PCT

FOR FURTHER ACTION

See paragraphs 1 and 4 below

International application No.

PCT/US 00/18588

International filing date
(day/month/year)

07/07/2000

Applicant

E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY et al.

1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the International Search Report has been established and is transmitted herewith.

Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:

The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the International Application (see Rule 46):

When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally 2 months from the date of transmittal of the International Search Report; however, for more details, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO
34, chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland
Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35

For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. ☐ The applicant is hereby notified that no International Search Report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.

3. ☐ With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

☐ the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.

☐ no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. **Further action(s):** The applicant is reminded of the following:

TRB NOTED

Shortly after **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

Within **19 months** from the priority date, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later).

Within **20 months** from the priority date, the applicant must perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before all designated Offices which have not been elected in the demand or in a later election within 19 months from the priority date or could not be elected because they are not bound by Chapter II.

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